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You owe it to yourself to buy your goods where you can get the most for your money. Bear in mind that we make the price we can afford. We sell our goods cheaper than anyone BECAUSE WE SELL ONLY FOR CASH.

All the Best Calico 4 1-2c
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Yours for Bargains,

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JOINT MEETING

City Council and Commercial Club Thursday Evening, March 9, 8 P. M.

There will be a joint meeting of the members of City Council and Commercial Club at the Club room, postoffice building, Thursday evening, March 9, at 8 o'clock for an informal consideration of the water works report.

J. W. BLUE, JR., Mayor.
JAS. E. CRITTENDEN, Sec.

Factories for Kentucky.

Mr. L. D. Sampson, a well known Kentucky newspaper man, formerly proprietor of the Barbourville News and for some years engaged in the Newspaper Syndicate business in Chicago, is endeavoring to locate some large manufacturing concerns in Kentucky.

Through its newly organized Commercial Club, Georgetown has secured the large Asphalt concern with which Secretary Paul Morton and other Chicago men are connected.

HEALTH is the Most Important

The manufacturers of Royal Baking Powder have had 40 years of scientific experience.

Every method of bread-and-cake raising has been exhaustively studied in this country and abroad.

The result is a perfect product in Royal Baking Powder. There is no substitute for it. The purity and efficiency of Royal Baking Powder have been commended by the highest authorities of the world.

These facts mean two important things to all housekeepers:

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connected. Mr. Sampson has just opened an office at 140 Dearborn street, Chicago, and has been commissioned by several large and well established concerns to find locations for new or branch factories. He desires to hear from Kentucky towns which offer natural advantages in the way of fuel, raw material, transportation facilities and equitable labor conditions.

MINING NOTES.

The Ky. Fluor Spar company have moved the machinery from the Asbridge mines to the Matthews mines and have it nearly all installed. They will soon be ready for operation.

Our correspondent at View says: "The new building at the Pogue mines is completed and part of the machinery is ready for operation."

The Caney Fork Coal Company commenced loading on the cars last week. This is the new mine just developed by F. M. Baker, and is a vein of extra fine coal.

The Rock Spring Coal Mine, which has been shut down for some time, will resume operations at once. Its manager, J. L. Tonkin, is a clever, agreeable gentleman, a business man of ability, and is well liked by the men here who have worked for him. He moved his family here Monday. He has two splendid veins of coal and many here predict much success for him.—Wheatcroft Special.

J. M. Hardesty, of Irma, was in the city this week with some fine specimens of carbonate of zinc taken from his land. He is on what is known as the Deer Creek break where it crosses the Sullenger vein, above Milford and Deer Creek, and near the Livingston county line.

He has also some fine indications of cobalt and manganese, and on every hand is evidence of mineral value. He contemplates doing considerable prospecting in the spring.

Many favorable reports are received from the various mines of the district, and numerous legitimate reasons for belief in business expansion in the coming season. The consumption of spar is on the increase, all the furnaces in the Pittsburgh and Birmingham districts are behind on orders, each one reports brisk demand; a great deal of new machinery is being installed and in all the camps there is great activity since the weather has opened up.

In Marion a great demand exists for houses, and much building is in progress or contemplation. It is freely predicted that this year will outstrip all others by far in the extent of building and improvements made in Marion.

The market for lead, carbonate of zinc and fluor spar has been strong and shipments heavy and therefore stocks on hand are in good shape to prevent any decline in prices for some weeks to come at least.

Russia Weighed in the Balance and Found Wanting.

Oration Delivered by J. H. Yates in the Oratorical Contest at the Opera House, February 22, 1905.

I have stood by the broad water's edge in the night time and have seen the full orb'd moon rise from the waters, and as it rose higher and higher o'er the waves a gleaming, glittering, magnificent pathway of light, narrow where it began, but broadening out in glory and beauty as it stretched away toward me. Such a pathway, so splendid, so ever broadening in purpose and achievement, has been that trodden by man since the Christ of Calvary

performance of duty. Yet not withstanding this beautiful light of the twentieth century, whose radiance seems to penetrate the remotest lands of all the earth, there lingers yet upon the horizon one dark shadow which is a thorn in our flesh, a festering sore on civilization. Downtrodden by its rulers, abhorred by the rest of the world, it stands a monument to the corruption and decay of the medieval ages, that disgrace to liberty—living humanity—Russia.

Marching host, and when the king Belshazzar sat feasting in his Babylonian palace with his lords and ladies, eating and drinking out of the golden vessels that had been sacred to our Lord, a hand was seen moving upon the wall, and an inscription, in scrolls of blood, such as the wise men of the court could not interpret, was written there.

The king's countenance changed and his knees smote together, his mind was troubled. As a last

shazzar, hast not humbled thy heart, though thou knowest all this, and this is the writing that is written, "Tekel Upharsin," thou art weighed in the balance and found wanting."

My friends, such is the story of an unworthy nation, and history only repeats itself. Russia is the Assyria of modern times; despotism in the Russian Government, as there was in Assyria; the common people of Russia are being oppressed and trodden under foot as those of Assyria were. It is a nation where caste is the rule and serf are abundant as Assyria was. Surely this warrants the comparison. Nicholas, the Czar, is but the Belshazzar of today. That king, frightened from the banquet table by the handwriting upon the wall presented much the same spectacle as the Czar, cowering and crouching beneath the protecting shadow of his palace walls fearing the assassin's bullet which he feels he deserves.

He, too, sees a handwriting upon the wall, and like Belshazzar, his countenance changes and his mind is troubled. Ah! Nicholas, though the Czar of all the Russias well may your knees beat together well may your mind be troubled, well may your countenance change for the handwriting your eyes see is the principle of free government; the wall upon which it is written is the free country of America, and the Daniel inspired by the Almighty God is the common people which you have so long cast down. Yes, the time has come for your imperial robe to fall, for truly thou art "weighed in the balance and found wanting."

Unhappy Czar! The judgment of God rests hard upon you; your sufferings would deserve an angel's pity if angel's tears could wash away your crimes. But you knew God's law and obeyed it not; you heard his voice pleading for peace but turned a cold, deaf ear. You sent your armies away from their homes, away from their native land to wage war upon an honest people. You met them at Mukden, at Meter Hill, at Port Arthur and everywhere your armies have been defeated and your soldiers driven from the field. You have met them upon the high seas and your navy melted away like mist before the morning sun. Ah! yes, your proud boast has been your strength in war, but you have met the little Jap, an enemy you thought weak, and he has annihilated your navy, destroyed your armies, and made captives of your soldiers. Again you have been "weighed in the balance and found wanting."

This war is, indeed a horrible picture to look upon, but it is only a dim shadow in a cloud so



J. H. YATES.

gave up his life that the world might be saved from its deluge of sin. And we should thank the Creator of all things that we live in the twentieth century when the spirit of the world is at its highest. With the proud possession of virtue and wisdom, with powers matured, with principles settled, with habits formed the world passes, as it were, from preparatory growth to responsible development of character and a speedy

Something more than four thousand years ago there was a nation known as Assyria. For centuries that nation was the ruling power of all civilization; but, alas, it like many others grew to believe there was but one road to prosperity and that road led over fields wet with human gore, along a path where the orphan's cry and the widow's wail made music for their

resort he called in a captive prisoner, Daniel. And as he himself tells it he said, "O Thou king, the Most High God, gave thy father Nebuchadnezzar a kingdom, and majesty, and glory, and honor, but when his mind was lifted up and his heart was hardened in pride he was deposed from his kingly throne and his glory taken from him. And thou, his son, O Bel-

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